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LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

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FEARS THAT SHE WILL BECOME A TOTAL WRECK.

Turks and Germans Quarrel Over Transference of Troops.

FRENCH ATTACK IN THE WEST: GERMAN COMPANY DECIMATED.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph"]

THE NEW BRITISH ARMIES.

ALL SINGLE MEN CALLED UP.

February 14, 3.45 p.m.
A Proclamation has been issued calling up all single men.

THE BALKAN SITUATION.

FURTHER BRITISH REINFORCEMENTS AT SALONICA.

February 14, 3.45 p.m.
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BRITISH NAVAL DISASTER.

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February 14, 5.15 p.m.
The Admiralty announces that the cruiser Arethusa, commanded by Commodore R. Y. Tyrwhitt, has struck a mine on the East Coast, and it is feared that she will become a total wreck. About ten men lost their lives.

[The Arethusa, a light cruiser of 3,750 tons, built in 1914, has figured prominently in the war, having taken a conspicuous part in the action in Heligoland Bight on August 28, 1914. Prior to this action British submarines found that the island was being used as a base for a force of German cruisers and destroyers, and a plan for cutting them out and destroying them was therefore decided upon. A move was accordingly made to tempt the enemy's ships out, and this succeeded. The hostile destroyers which came out, in pursuit of our vessels were led on until they found themselves engaged with four other destroyers and the cruiser Arethusa. Cruisers came to the assistance of the German destroyers and soon the advanced section of the British force was hotly engaged. Our forces comprised the Arethusa (Commodore Tyrwhitt), 19 destroyers of the 3rd Flotilla, the light cruiser Fearless and 17 destroyers of the 1st Flotilla. The bulk of the hostile vessels evaded action and left the brunt of the fight to the cruisers. These fought a strenuous action, and almost succeeded in destroying the Arethusa, reducing her speed from 30 knots to six knots and putting all her guns save one out of action. We lost no ships, but three German light cruisers and a destroyer were sunk.]

THE TURKISH DEFEAT IN THE CAUCASUS.

A LIVELY TU CO-GERMAN QUARREL.

February 14, 1.40 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that after the Turkish defeat in the Caucasus a lively discussion occurred in the War Council at Constantinople between Enver Pasha and the German Generals.

Enver Pasha insisted on the necessity of transferring to the Caucasus Turkish troops from Thrace and Bulgaria. The Germans, however, declared that it was essential to keep the Turkish troops at Thrace, as the Salonica front was the most important.

THE NEAR EAST.

TURKISH FORCES FOR MESOPOTAMIA.

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Reuter's correspondent at Athens says that formidable Turkish forces are proceeding towards Mesopotamia from the Dardanelles.

AN UNFOUNDED REPORT.

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It is stated that the report concerning the injuries to Mr. Grahame-White is unfounded.

LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

A DISTRESSED ZEPPELIN.

AT THE MERCY OF THE WIND.

February 14, 4.50 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Copenhagen states that the Zeppelin L 20 was observed on the 11th inst. over the island of Mance flying very low and slowly. Her engines were evidently damaged. The airship was steering towards the south, but a strong easterly breeze drove her westward.

AUSTRIA FOLLOWS GERMAN METHODS.

PRICELESS SIXTH CENTURY CHURCH DAMAGED.

February 14, 4.50 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Rome states that the Austrians at Ravenna damaged the priceless Sixth Century Byzantine Church of St. Apollinare. His Holiness the Pope is most grieved, and has again appealed to the Emperor Francis Joseph to spare the churches.

BOMBS DROPPED ON MILAN.

February 14, 5.00 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Milan states that enemy aeroplanes in the forenoon appeared there and were fuelled by anti-aircraft guns. They were counter-attacked by Italian aeroplanes, and the enemy retired after dropping some bombs. The material damage was slight. Six civilians were killed and some injured.

GERMAN LINERS IN NEUTRAL PORTS.

ADVISED TO DASH FOR LIBERTY.

February 14, 4.50 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at New York says it is reported that all German liners in neutral harbours have received the cue to dash for liberty whenever the opportunity occurs.

ENEMY TRADING.

WELL-KNOWN BUSINESS MEN SENTENCED.

February 14, 4.50 p.m.
William Gardiner Rigden, William Towry Rigden and Stanley Rigden, partners in the well-known firm of Fownes, glove-makers, have been sentenced at the Old Bailey to a fine of \$500, together with 12 months' and four months' imprisonment in the second division respectively, for trading with the enemy.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

BETTER DEFENCES SUGGESTED.

February 14, 1.20 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington says the acquisition of more territory at both termini of the Panama Canal has been recommended to the War Department by Brigadier General Edwards in order to increase the range of defences to correspond with the increased range of modern guns.

THE CAPTURED ENEMY OFFICIALS.

February 14, 1.20 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd states that the Government has decided that the Turkish Ambassador who was captured near Keredje shall be sent to Turkey. The Austrian Military Attache has been sent to Russia as a prisoner of war.

ROUMANIA PREPARING.

MOBILISATION NOW COMPLETE.

February 14, 5.00 p.m.
A French wireless message states that the Roumanian mobilisation is complete with the calling up of one new class. The Staff has completed both the Carpathian and Danube defences.

FRENCH ATTACK IN THE WEST.

A GERMAN COMPANY WIPED OUT.

February 14, 5.20 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris, a communique says that southward of the Somme the French made an attack at dusk on German works near Fries and occupied some portions of the German trenches. A counter-attack was mown down by the French fire. The communique adds: We surrounded a German company, decimating it. The Captain and seventy survivors surrendered. We also took other prisoners and a number of machine-guns. The enemy's dead reached a considerable figure.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on Page 2.]

WAR TELEGRAMS

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

February 14, 2.10 a.m.
A Paris communique says:—The Germans made a series of attacks in Artois, first in the morning west of Hill 140 without result, and in the afternoon after a violent bombardment they attacked at four different points. Three of the attacks were stopped by artillery and rifle fire. The fourth attack gained a footing in the first line trench west of Hill 140, but the Germans were immediately ejected by a counter-attack which inflicted heavy loss. A German aeroplane was shot and fell in flames within our lines east of Grivanchy. A German grenade attack south of Etape failed. We bombarded enemy works east of the Oise. German artillery has been most active between Spicourt and Rheims where our artillery rendered abortive the infantry attacks which were being prepared. We took prisoners in a fight in Champagne. The enemy gained a footing in the advanced trenches east of Tahure. An enemy attack in Upper Alsace was crushed by our artillery.

THE RUSSIANS.

AN IMPORTANT VILLAGE CAPTURED.

February 14, 2.10 a.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd, a communique says:—There has been fierce artillery fighting in the Riga region. The Germans attempted an attack near Jacobstadt, but the Russians rushed out of their trenches and repulsed them. The Germans are using asphyxiating hand grenades in the Dvinsk sector. The Russians captured, and held against counter-attacks, the village of Garbunovka which is important for the protection of Dvinsk.

BIG CAPTURES IN THE CAUCASUS.

February 14, 2.10 a.m.
A Petrograd communique says the Russians in the Caucasus are advancing in deep snow with a temperature fifty below zero. They forced inaccessible passes near Erzerum and captured 800 prisoners, seven guns, and much booty. The bombardment of Erzerum continues effectively and it caused a great explosion in a fort. The Russians in Persia have occupied the town of Duletabad in the region of Hamadan.

GERMAN GUNBOAT SUNK.

February 14, 4.00 a.m.
An official message from Belgium states that the German gunboat Hedwig Wisemann has been sunk in a fight on Lake Tanganyika. Two Germans were killed and twenty-one were captured by the Anglo-Belgian flotilla, which sustained no losses.

BRITISH NAVAL PARTY IN RUSSIA.

February 14, 4.00 a.m.
The first number of the *Archangel Herald*, "the official organ of the R.N.A.S. Russian Expedition," has been received in England and shows that several hundred British naval men, composing automobile squadrons, commanded by Capt. Locker Lampson, M.P., arrived in Russia before Christmas. It contains a message of farewell from H.M. the King in reply to Capt. Locker Lampson, with a commentary by the latter mentioning that the force was recruited from all parts of the Empire, including South Africa. The recent casualty list testifies that it has already been in action.

THE LATEST GERMAN-AMERICAN CONTROVERSY.

February 14, 11.10 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington says that the State Department has received the text of Germany's submarine memorandum. Reuter's New York correspondent says the newspapers are of the opinion that President Wilson is involved in an inextricable controversy as the result of the memorandum following Mr. Lansing's suggested disarmament of merchantmen. Officials of the State Department are quoted as expressing surprise at the assumption by the Press that the United States had accepted the proposal of Germany.

FRENCH MINISTERS AT THE ITALIAN FRONT.

February 14, 11.10 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Rome states that Mr. Briand and his colleagues landed with King Victor Emmanuel at Harbourside. They visited the Italian front, and departed for Paris in the evening.

TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

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The Report of the U.S. Department of Commerce says that Japanese manufacturers have captured the American cotton goods trade with China.

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DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

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Friday, February 18.

Kowloon Land and Building Co.—Meeting of shareholders; noon.

Sanitary Board Election.—4.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.

Saturday, February 19.

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.—Meeting of shareholders; noon.

Monday, February 21.

The Races.

Tuesday, February 22.

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Wednesday, February 23.

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Friday, February 25.

China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co.—Meeting of shareholders; 11.30 a.m.

Boxing Competitions at the V.R.O.

Saturday, February 26.

The Races ("O.E. Day").

Thursday, March 2.

H.K. and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.—Meeting of shareholders; 11.30 a.m.

GENERAL NEWS.

The "Dartmoor Shepherd" Again.
At the Liverpool Sessions recently, David Davies, aged 74, the notorious "Dartmoor Shepherd," was sentenced to six months for theft from an offshoot bar at a church in Liverpool.

Temperature Variations in Formosa.

In Taipei, Formosa, the temperature remained at about 80 degrees F. until the 23rd ultimo, when a sudden change came about and the temperature fell to 42 degrees. Snow fell to a depth of over an inch. It is stated that such a low temperature has not been recorded for over ten years.

A Chinese Amateur Detective.
Detective work by Louis Lee, a Chinese merchant in Philadelphia resulted in the arrest of John Kero, a negro, on a charge of having chloroformed the Chinaman's wife, Mrs. Florence Lee, and robbing her of several diamond rings. The merchant said he met a negro coming down the stairs before the discovery of the robbery on December 21. Since that time Lee has been on the look-out for him ever since. Accused was remanded.

Antiquity of the Safety Pin.
That the Hittites were in constant communication with other nations is shown by the fact that Egyptian scarabs and amulets, Phoenician pottery, and Greek terra cotta figures are found in the tombs of different periods. Bronze daggers and jewellery are fairly common, and I was shown a safety pin, three thousand years old, that would still work. Some Stone Age pottery, with the very ancient emblem of thunder, or of the weather god, was found in its original kiln.—Correspondence of the *Christian Herald*.

Trouble in Haiti.
Port-au-Prince, Haiti, January 5.—A revolutionary outbreak occurred at two o'clock this morning at Port-au-Prince. The force of American marines maintained in this city was attacked. One of the rebels was killed by the Americans, who suffered no losses. Several groups of the insurgents moved on Grand Frevet, and ran through the streets of the town discharging rifles. The Americans met them, and they were rapidly dispersed. The outbreak is generally condemned, and has been characterized as a piece of folly.

Lynchings in U.S. Last Year.
Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 1.—Lynchings in the United States in 1915 numbered 69, as recorded at Tuskegee Institute, and announced to-day. This was 17 more than in 1914. Georgia led the States with 18 lynchings. Mississippi was second with nine. Fifty-five persons lynched were negroes and 14 whites. The year before 49 were negroes and three whites. Three women were mob victims during 1915. In four instances, according to the Tuskegee records, innocent persons were put to death by mobs. Lynching by States is given: Alabama, 9; Arkansas, 5; Florida, 5; Georgia, 18; Illinois, 1; Kentucky, 5; Louisiana, 2; Mississippi, 9; Missouri, 2; Ohio, 1; Oklahoma, 3; South Carolina, 1; Tennessee, 2; Texas, 5; Virginia, 1.

Vancouver's Red Cross Record.
The Vancouver Central Red Cross depot has established a splendid record for the year 1915 and it is doubtful if any city of the size in Canada can show a better report. From Dec. 1, 1914, to date the central depot has shipped 1,588 cases, weighing approximately 111,000 pounds. The total number of garments is 1,019,403. When it is taken into consideration that a quantity of hospital supplies has also been shipped through other sources, such as the Daughters of the Empire, the public may grasp the extent of the Red Cross work in Vancouver. While no figures for comparison are obtainable for the whole year, reports up to the end of September showed that the total number of cases shipped from Canada was 15,482. Vancouver and its wards and outside branches had contributed one-eighth of this total.

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NOTICES.



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GENERAL NEWS.

The San Diego Flood.
A San Francisco despatch to the *Asahi* reports that over 3,000 people have been rendered homeless owing to the San Diego flood. Thirty bodies of those who were drowned have been recovered, including those of some Japanese. A party of bluejackets has been landed from an American man-of-war and is giving assistance to the municipal workers for the relief of the sufferers. The loss is estimated at \$2,000,000.

Nepotism at the Bar.

The nepotism of the bar is, of course, no new story, especially in Ireland. There is a pleasant old yarn of two Irish judges discussing the subject over their wine. "Well, well," said one, "they can say what they like, but, *cogitatio paribus*, I shall always maintain that one's relations have the first claim." "My good man," said the other, "*cogitatio paribus* be damned." *Standard*.

U.S. General and Preparedness.
Major-General Leonard Wood, former Chief of Staff of the United States Army, and well known for his excellent work in the Philippines, has given it as his opinion that:—We (America) have never yet waged war single handed with a first-class nation prepared for war. Our people know nothing of what such a struggle means; they have no conception of the effect of the application of well-organized and thoroughly-prepared military force.

Raja Brooke's Cosmopolitan Granddaughter.

If there is such a thing as a cosmopolitan baby it is surely the infant daughter of Mr. Vyner Brooke, says the *Globe*. The baby is a Princess of Sarawak, and her mother, until a few years ago, was Miss Sylvia Brett; Mr. Oliver Brett married an American, Mr. Maurice Brett married Miss Zona Dare, and Lady Escher, mother of them all, was the daughter of Mr. Sylvain van de Weyer, at one time Belgian Minister at the Court of St. James's.

New York Theatre Robbed.
New York, December 27.—Masked men bound four persons hand and foot at the Star Theatre, Lexington Avenue, early this morning, prised off the door of the safe in the ticket-office, and took the receipts of the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday performances. The janitor, his wife, the watchman, and a scrubwoman, who were in the building at the time, were told by the intruders that if they made an outcry they would be killed. The burglars got \$700.

Preliminary to Abolishing Likin.
As a preliminary step to the abolition of likin two special commissioners, Tien Chung-yu and Chao Chun-men, were appointed to investigate conditions in the provinces, but owing to various reasons they have not yet started for the south on their tour of investigation. These officials have now established an office in the Chinese Ministry of Finance for the purpose of studying the various documents dealing with this matter, and it is reported that this work will take them at least four months.

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

LEADING EVENTS IN THE GREAT WAR.

(Extracts from the war news contained in the "Hongkong Telegraph" of February 15, 1915.)

Silly German Threat Repeated.

Count Bernstorff, the German Ambassador to Washington, discussed with Mr. Bryan the seizure of the Wilhelmshafen's cargo, repeated the threat to cut off British commerce in retaliation for Great Britain's attempt to starve the civil population of his country.

All Oats Seized in Germany.

The German Government has seized the stocks of oats in Germany and has increased the price fifty shillings a ton.

The Turko-Greek Incident.

A rupture of relations between Turkey and Greece, in consequence of the Attache incident, was narrowly averted. The Greek Minister announced his intention to leave Constantinople within twenty-four hours unless satisfaction was accorded. The Grand Vizier vaguely replied that the Porte would grant satisfaction, whereupon the Minister reiterated his intention to leave immediately unless the Grand Vizier gave a written assurance. The Grand Vizier promptly acceded.

Further German Warning to Neutral Shipping.

A German Legation communique, issued to-night, reiterates the warning to neutral shipping, and adds new paragraph, which states:—As Great Britain says that she is justified in hoisting neutral flags, and moreover, according to a reliable source, British merchantmen have been armed in order to destroy German submarines or ram them, these ships become war vessels. Germany, therefore, urgently warns all neutral ships entering the English or Irish coast waters after the 18th inst., that Germany will prosecute the war by all means in her power, and neutral ships will run the same risk as if they were steaming through sea-battles between England and Germany.

German Feeling against America.

The American Note has greatly embarrassed the German Government, and it is reported that Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg is going to East Prussia to consult with the Kaiser. The anger of the German people against America is rising, and being energetically fanned by the Press. It is believed that the German reply will be apologetic, but will not guarantee the safety of American ships unless the American Government prohibits belligerents from flying the American flag. German Version of the Air-raid. A Berlin communique states that hostile airmen have again bombarded the coast, causing heavy and deplorable damage to life and property. The communique also states that the Germans have discovered shells on the west front which are clearly of American make.

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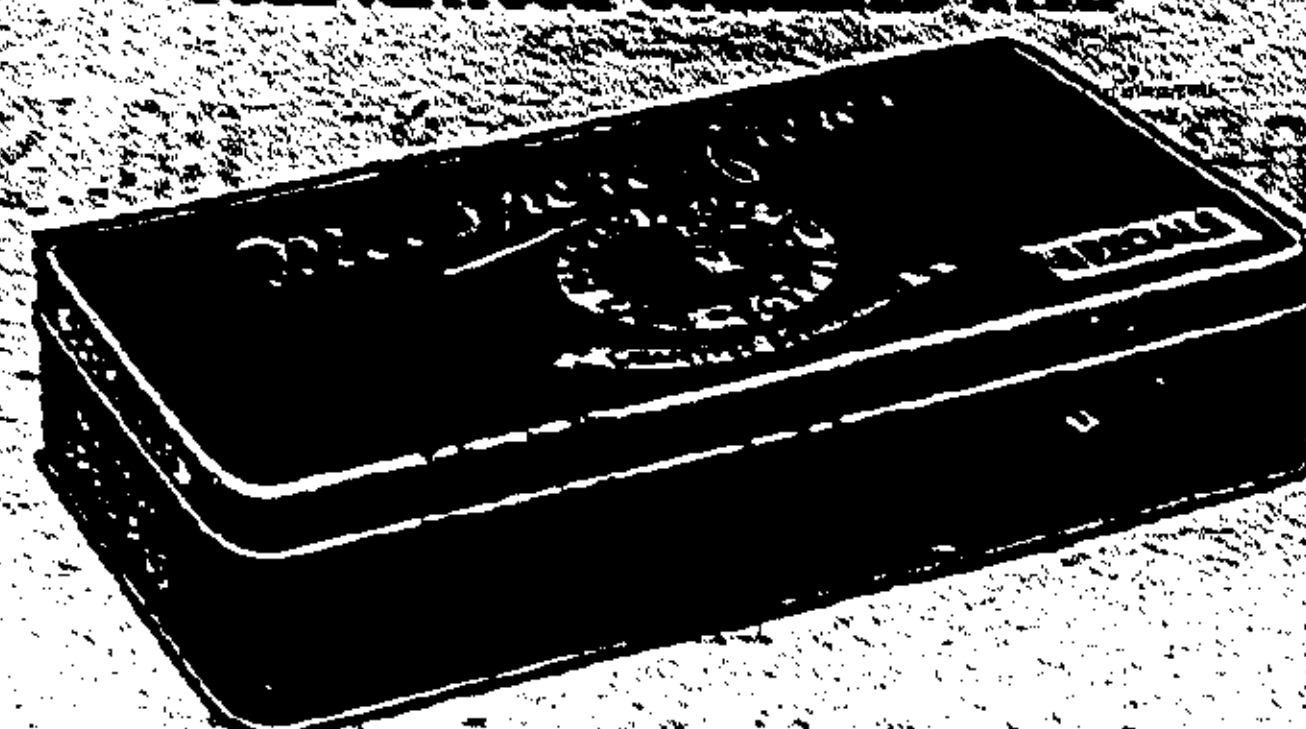
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BIRTH.

DONNELLY.—At Forebank East, 166 Peak, Hongkong, on the 13th February, 1916, the wife of D. E. Donnelly, of a son.

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1916.

THE GERMAN PRESS IN SHANGHAI.

Last year some Germans in Shanghai, with more eye to dramatic effect than truth, elected to establish a tri-weekly organ entitled *The War*. Two or three samples have recently been passed on to us for our delectation, and we find them—not quite so bad as they might have been. The paper is, indeed, an interesting mixture, containing articles that are frankly nothing more than sheer rubbish, and others (in most cases translated from German newspapers) by no means ill-written and calculated somewhat to appeal to a thoughtful reader—the whole comprising four small pages, plus a loose leaf of Ostasiatische Lloyd telegrams for the enlightenment of the Chinese mind. About certain of the specimens there is a very marked "hyphenated" touch, and we note that some of the articles are reprinted from American pro-German papers.

We will not bore our readers with lengthy quotations from *The War*. The following few lines form a fair example of the mental food which the Shanghai Germans are laying before Chinese who can read English (and, for that matter, for those who cannot, for our enemies are still occupied in circulating their "news" in Chinese). "How entirely justified the submarines are in sinking enemy craft is exemplified by the case of the P. and O. s.s. *Kashgar*, which actually opened hostilities by firing on the U. boat immediately it was observed. No warning was given by the steamer. Who then, after this, will blame the U. boats if they in their turn sink without warning what enemy vessels they meet?" As an instance of Teutonic logic this is not easily bettered. Had the argument been advanced twelve months ago it might have found listeners, but is there anyone to-day who does not know that, long before the arming of merchantmen was talked of, the Germans were busy sinking such craft—often not caring whether they were Allied or neutral ships; for the German with a torpedo is like a savage with a new knife: as irresponsible, as wanton and as heedless as a result. The quotation given amply illustrates what we might call the better class of reading matter supplied by our worthy contemporary; while, of the other sort, the following is not lacking in interest: "Twelve big merchant ships running into a German minefield at the mouth of the Thames were blown up in a single day, three weeks ago."

The Great Central station in Leman Street, one of the big London terminals, was levelled in one of the Zeppelin raids. When we were last in London, the Great Central terminus was in the Marylebone Road, and Leman Street was out Whitechapel way, with a distance of somewhere about six miles between; but a Zeppelin capable of doing all this levelling could quite easily transport a mere railway terminus from west to east.

Accompanying these choice specimens of German journalism come some pamphlets, which are being strewn about Shanghai; one published in New York and alleged to be written by an Irish-American, and another published in Vienna and penned by one Philipp Broch. The latter shows how entirely the financial and economic side of the war satisfies everybody in Austria, while the former is described as "The Greatest Hit in War Literature," and is a bright little skit, in question and answer form, which lies by suggestion rather well and amusingly, and which, by its ardent admiration for German "culture," does not convince us that its author had much Irish blood in him. The best way to combat lies is by means of the truth, and one wonders if our Foreign Office is doing as much as it might do in regard to circulating the truth among the Chinese, in the vernacular. Shanghai British and French journalists are quite well able to take care of themselves over the making clear of the position for European readers; but the amount of information for the Chinese in their own language, which our Government puts forth is as nothing compared with that circulated in Shanghai, Canton and the interior by the Germans. Could not this matter be attended to?

Street Cries.

A Chinese hawker who was charged at the Police Court yesterday with crying his wares in a prohibited street did not seek to hide the fact that he had once previously been before the magistrate for a similar offence, but he was at some pains to point out that on that occasion the breach of the Colony's bye-laws took place in a totally different thoroughfare. Needless to say, that did not constitute a sufficient argument in the opinion of the magistrate to let him off. The excuse, if it can be called one, was most probably inspired by the defendant's determination to at any rate say something in extenuation, crude though his effort was. But it does serve to point the desirability of the authorities making it plainer than at present which streets are within the prohibited area and which are not. By doing that, a point would be gained in the suppression of the evil, since the public would then be able to act with some measure of certainty when they encounter these noisy individuals. At Home the custom is for the Municipality to erect street signs stating that "The crying of wares in this thoroughfare is strictly prohibited: offenders will be prosecuted." Why cannot Hongkong follow suit?

Graham White.

The absurd and malicious stories which have been circulating for some months past concerning the fate of Mr. Graham White, the famous aviator, have surely now been set at rest. Some months ago the most circumstantial accounts were bruited about at Home of his having come to a rather ignominious end, but two items which we published yesterday proved how utterly untrue the rumours were. In the one case he is named as recently as a month ago in connection with certain proceedings brought by his wife, and in the other comes the news that he has been severely wounded while helping his country at the Front. This latest information takes us up to two days ago, which should be sufficient to remove any element of doubt as to his continued existence. He has won great fame as an aviator, and his many admirers harbour the hope that he will be spared to do yet further service on behalf of his country in the realm which he has made his own. Since the above was written, a telegram has arrived to the effect that the report of the famous aviator having been wounded is unfounded, but this news does not affect the main point which we have made—that he is still alive.

St. Valentine's Day.

The well-known saying that old customs die hard never applied more fully to any of the fast-dying customs than that of St. Valentine's Day, which fell due yesterday. It seems a great pity that this should be so, yet one has only to review many of the familiar observances to realize, with a pang of regret, that the push and strife of the present generation are fast casting them. For, struggle as the older folks will to keep them fresh, they are ruthlessly cast aside, and no doubt a few more years will see their complete demise. Indeed, if one half of the people of to-day were asked who Saint Valentine was, they would probably not be able to answer, the name to them only signifying, so far as they can express their hazy ideas, the exchange of greetings between friends of long association. But those of mature years still cling with the same degree of pleasure to the anniversary, and still believe that St. Valentine was a bishop who suffered martyrdom under Claudius II. at Rome, or, according to others, under Aurelian in 271 A.D., on February 14. The old idea was that birds began to mate on this day; hence the practice, in days gone by, of young people "choosing their valentines" by sending missives of an amatory or satirical nature, generally anonymously. Neither do the younger people know that the day is, or was, only observed in Great Britain, or that a similar custom once prevailed in France on the first Sunday in Lent.

DAY BY DAY

A FOOL MUST NOW AND THEN BE RIGHT BY CHANCE.—Cope.

The Weather.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 47; clear.
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 58; clear.

The Mails.
American, Canadian and Siberian Mails.—Closed per s.s. *Tenyo Maru* at 11 a.m. to-day.
Canadian, American and U. K. Mails.—Closed per s.s. *Chicago Maru* at 1 p.m. to-day.
Siberian Mail.—Closed per s.s. *Yingchow* at 3 p.m. to-day.
Australian Mail.—Closed per s.s. *Aki Maru* at 3 p.m. to-day.
American, Canadian and Siberian Mails.—Close per s.s. *Monteagle* at 10.30 a.m. to-morrow.

The Dollar.
The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1/11 1/2.

To-morrow's Anniversary.
To-morrow is the 15th anniversary of the execution of Boxer leaders at Hankow.

Departed.
Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Craddock and Miss Craddock left by the s.s. *Mongara* to-day.

On Leave.
Mr. C. W. Jeffries, of the Hongkong Observatory, left for South Africa on leave yesterday.

For Home.
Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Blackburn and Mrs. H. E. Stevens left for Home by the s.s. *Mongara* to-day.

Street Obstructions.
No less than 52 summonses for obstruction were heard by Mr. J. R. Wood at the Police Court to-day. Various fines were imposed.

U. S. Consul.
Mr. T. Sammons, U. S. Consul General at Shanghai, left for the North by the *Tenyo Maru* to-day, being accompanied by Mrs. Sammons.

French Consul Leaves.
M. Liebert, who has been appointed French Consul General at New York, left to-day by the *Tenyo Maru*, being accompanied by his two daughters.

To Consignees.
Consignees of cargo by the steamers *Monteagle*, *Tenyo Maru* and *Kansas* are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after to-morrow will be subject to storage charges.

Death Enquiry.
An enquiry into the circumstances attending the death of the Chief Officer of the s.s. *Linan*, Mr. Shepherd, which took place suddenly in his cabin recently, will be held by Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court on Friday, at 2.15 p.m.

No Bond.
At the Police Court this morning, before Mr. Hazeland, Police Sergeant Davies, of Yaumatei, charged a launch owner, named Lau Fat, of 34, Temple Street, Yaumatei, for that he, being the owner of the launch *Kwong Kini*, plying for hire between Castle Peak Bay and Yaumatei, had not entered into a bond as required by Ordinance. Defendant was fined \$100.

Trespassing in the Post Office.
A Chinese was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning with trespassing in the General Post Office, at 10.10 p.m. yesterday. It was stated by Mr. J. Martin, Supervisor of Mails, that the defendant was found in the first Assistant Auditor's Office, with a friend. It transpired that the friend was employed in the office and at the time was engaged in cleaning out the grate—work which should have been finished long before. A fine of \$2 was imposed.

Absentee Gamblers.
Charged with gambling at 10, Lyndhurst Terrace, yesterday, two men and nine women were brought before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Court this morning. Two of the defendants were also charged with keeping the house for gaming purposes. Defendants did not appear and their bails were ordered to be arrested. The two charged with keeping the house had been let out on bail of \$50 each, and all the others were on bail in \$10 each—a total of \$190.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS

FUTILE GERMAN EFFORTS.

More Troops for Britain.

The proclamation has been issued which calls to the colours the remainder of Lord Derby's groups of unmarried men, together with those compulsorily enlisted under the Military Act. Yesterday Reuter understood that only a small percentage of recruits had been obtained by the calling up of the first four groups, and, further, that the lists of exempted men were to be revised. Only a small number, and yet, some time back, Mr. Asquith told us that the Derby Scheme had been a huge (say, an "unqualified") success! It is our British habit, when once we have been deceived in or by a Cabinet Minister, rarely to repose confidence in him again; and it seems to us that Mr. Asquith will have to do a very great deal more for the country than he has done, before this little slip of his will be forgotten or forgiven. It is satisfactory to learn, however, that the list of exemptions is to be revised. We don't want Radical half-measures to get us more laughed at on the Continent than must needs be. Hitherto, from all we can see, the compulsion has been no compulsion at all, for every crank, every coward, every traitor and every incorrigible loafer has been able to slide through some convenient loophole provided by a far-seeing and benevolent Cabinet.

A Distinguishing Mark Needed.

As we have said a score of times, conscription is opposed to British custom and habit of thought, but if we needs must have it—and it is the dysloyalists whom we have to thank—let us at least handle the matter in a dignified manner and not leave it so that the very men who were the cause of the introduction of the compulsory system can still escape. That is what "exemption" has done for us up to the present. We hope, too, for the sake of the brave fellows who required neither coaxing nor force, and who, for considerably more than a year, have been bearing their country's burden in the trenches, that there will be some means of marking off the volunteers from the pressed men. We know exactly the type of man who has gone to swell this latter noble band; and, when the war is over, unless some effective spoke is put in his wheel, we know that he will be swaggering round, fighting his battles over again and gaily forgetting the fact that he had to be kicked into the field. All conscripts should be made to wear a distinguishing badge.

A Useless Resistance.

If we are to believe the wires from the Western and Eastern fronts, the general abhorrence of the enemy's tactics and efforts is daily a little more pronounced. On the French front, in Russia, and in the Caucasus these wonderfully planned sallies, combined attacks, etc., etc. have been turned back by the Allies, one after another, more often than not at a fearful expense to Germany. Austria or Turkey. Even the apophrycting gas that the German mind so loves and leans on, does not seem to have been very effective against the Russians at Drinak. Presently it will begin to occur to the enemy that, even if we are to be condemned to an interminable hide-and-seek trench war, it is worse for him than for us; that we can now replace men and munitions more quickly and on a vaster scale than he, and that, while we are free from discontent at home, his own territory swarms with it. How much longer can or will the Turks attempt to carry on their futile operations in Asia? They must surely know that, however promising things may have looked for them and their German allies a few months ago, their chance of scoring has now gone by, and that the future has nothing but increasing defeat in store for them.

CANTON NEWS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Sharp Practices of Detectives.

Canton, February 12.

It is well-known that the spies employed by the Government are paid and promoted according to the number of "revolutionists" they succeed in finding. Hence, we are not to be surprised to hear they are not over scrupulous in their efforts to apprehend these people, sometimes manufacturing evidence against totally innocent persons for the sake of the reward they will receive. One of the local papers publishes a story to the effect that a traveller who had the appearance of a countryman was walking along the Bund towards the store of the Sincere Co. He passed a group of men who were talking noisily and as he did so, he felt a hand in his pocket. He thought little of it, knowing that a pickpocket would find nothing in that pocket, but a little later he put his own hand in and discovered a letter addressed to Mr. Chan Hip-wan, from a Mr. Lee in Macao. On opening the strange missive, he found it contained instructions concerning the transfer of bombs to Canton. Realising his danger, the man went to a safe place at once and a few minutes he was accosted by a spy who searched his person, but found nothing, of course. Had that letter been found he would have received scant mercy. It is also alleged that these dishonest spies are in the habit of throwing into the street purses containing damaging letters and papers. Then they watch to see who picks up the purse and arrest him at once. The case is clear, for the unfortunate is taken with the goods on him. Another fine way to get rid of an enemy is to send him an unsigned letter containing unlawful messages and then inform the censor of the coming mail matter. It works beautifully.

Gambling Houses Again.

Some time ago during the administration of Acting Civil Governor Lung, the gambling houses petitioned to be allowed to reopen for the purpose of playing cards and dominoes only—no fan-tan—and offering a bonus of \$400,000 a year for the privilege. This was granted by the Acting Governor and they planned to reopen at the Chinese New Year. But when this was brought to the attention of Governor Cheng he speedily put an end to their hopes by announcing he would cancel the privilege unless the amount of the tax was to be very materially increased. At present the matter is at a standstill with the odds in favour of the houses remaining closed.

Robbery in Tai Sun Street.

On the night of the 2nd inst., several burglars entered a house in Wo Ling Lane, off Tai Sun Street, by breaking down the door. They drew their pistols as soon as they gained entrance and, after binding the women present, they carried away a small trunk containing, it is reported, diamonds to the value of \$10,000. But in the early morning of the 6th a policeman discovered the robbers dividing the spoil in a house used by an athletic club. The house was raided at once and two robbers were caught and all the booty recovered.

LANGKAT OUTPUT.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby advise us that the Langkat output for the current month is as follows:—

February	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Total to 14th inst.
	222	203	198	203	194	183	181	190	157	144	144	152	143	149	2,463

Daily average 175.92

TRAINING NOTES.

Splendid Gallops This Morning.

With the arrival of the jockeys from the North, increased interest is being taken in the early morning gallops at Happy Valley, and instead of Wednesday and Saturday being set apart as the days in the week, a visitor to the course can be assured of seeing some fine exhibitions any morning.

Taken as whole, the ponies give remarkable promise; yet one or two, it can easily be discerned, would be all the better if the Races were not due for another fortnight or so. It is not that they have been trained as well as they could possibly be in the time at the disposal of their owners, but, nevertheless, with a little extra grace, there is not the slightest shadow of doubt they would show even greater improvement.

Under the judicious handling of the jockeys during the remaining week, it is expected the animals will show better form all round, and it was particularly noticeable this morning, and gratifying too, to observe how well the ponies answered to their new riders. Johnstone rode the most ponies, and his reputable style meets with the approval of almost everybody. Stewart and Vida were also on the course, and they too gave much satisfaction. We spread some of the times taken:—

Nipper (Johnstone) 1 mile; 0.38.0, 1.15.2, 2.22.2.
Mastale, (Boyd) 1 mile; 0.38.4, 1.13.4, 1.48.2.
Masotte, 1 mile; 0.38.2, 1.10.0, 1.42.0.
Peace, 1 mile; 0.38.0, 1.12.3, 1.47.2, 2.22.3, 2.57.0, 3.29.1.
Pingwa Chief (Stewart) 1 mile; 0.37.0, 1.10.0, 1.44.0, —, 3.23.0.
Sawdway (Johnstone) 1 mile; 0.38.0, 1.10.2, 1.46.3, 2.21.0, 2.52.0.
In Off, 1 mile, last 1/2; 1.44.0.
Freddie (Vida) 1 mile; 0.33.2, 1.8.2, 1.42.1, 2.14.1.
Dunkald, 1 mile; 0.38.0, 1.12.0, 1.42.3.
Sandy (Johnstone), 1 mile; (Merry Andrew joined last 1/2); 0.36.3, 1.10.2, 1.44.1, 2.19.0, 2.53.0, 3.25.1.
Lazarus, 1 mile; 2.16.2.
Harry Hawke, 1 mile; 0.32.2, 1.3.2.
Askill, 1 mile; 0.32.2, 1.3.2.
Good Templar, 1 mile; 0.24.2, 1.8.2, 1.40.0.
Matchless Dahlia, 1 mile; 0.33.3, 1.16.4, 1.53.0, 2.27.4, 3.0.2.
Greylock, 1 mile; 0.33.2, 1.6.0.
Little Jack Horner (Johnstone), 1 mile; 0.37.2, 1.15.0, 1.49.1, 2.29.1.
Cornwall Chief, 1 mile; 0.37.1, 1.13.0, 1.48.1, 2.23.0, 2.56.1.
Shropshire Chief, 1 mile; 0.37.1, 1.13.0, 1.48.1, 2.23.0, 2.56.1.
China Coaster, 1 mile; 0.34.1, 1.7.1, 1.39.3.
Forester, 1 mile; 0.34.1, 1.7.1, 1.39.2.
Derby Chief, 1 mile; 0.36.1, 1.11.2, 1.45.4, 2.17.0.
Venture, 1 mile; 0.36.2, 1.13.3, 1.43.4.
Grains Green, 1 mile Dick joined in; 0.34.3, 1.11.0, 1.48.2, 2.18.2.
Benjamin, 1 mile; 0.35.0, 1.9.2, 1.42.1.
Middlesex Chief, 1 mile; 0.31.3, 1.6.2.
Durham Chief, 1 mile; 0.31.3, 1.4.2.

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Increase:—	405	12,619
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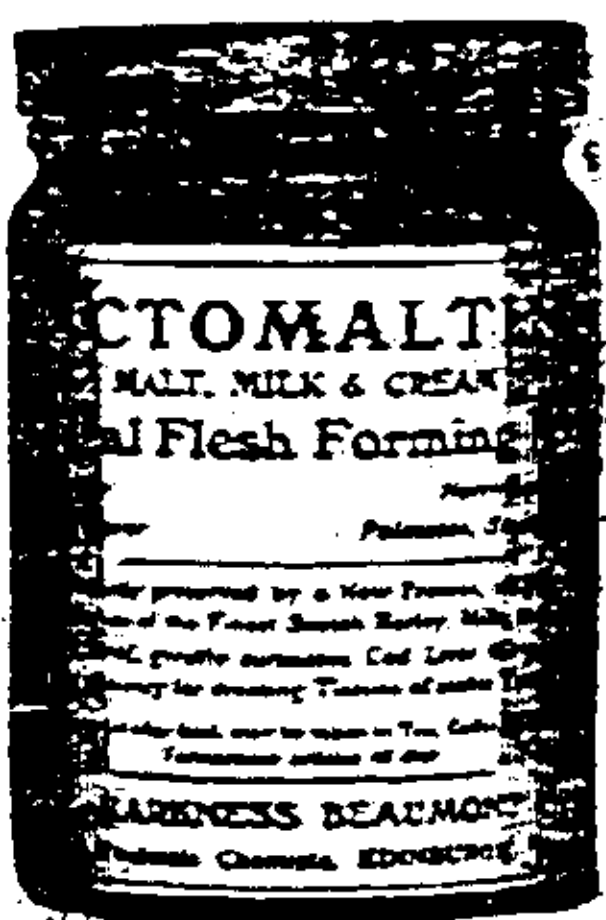
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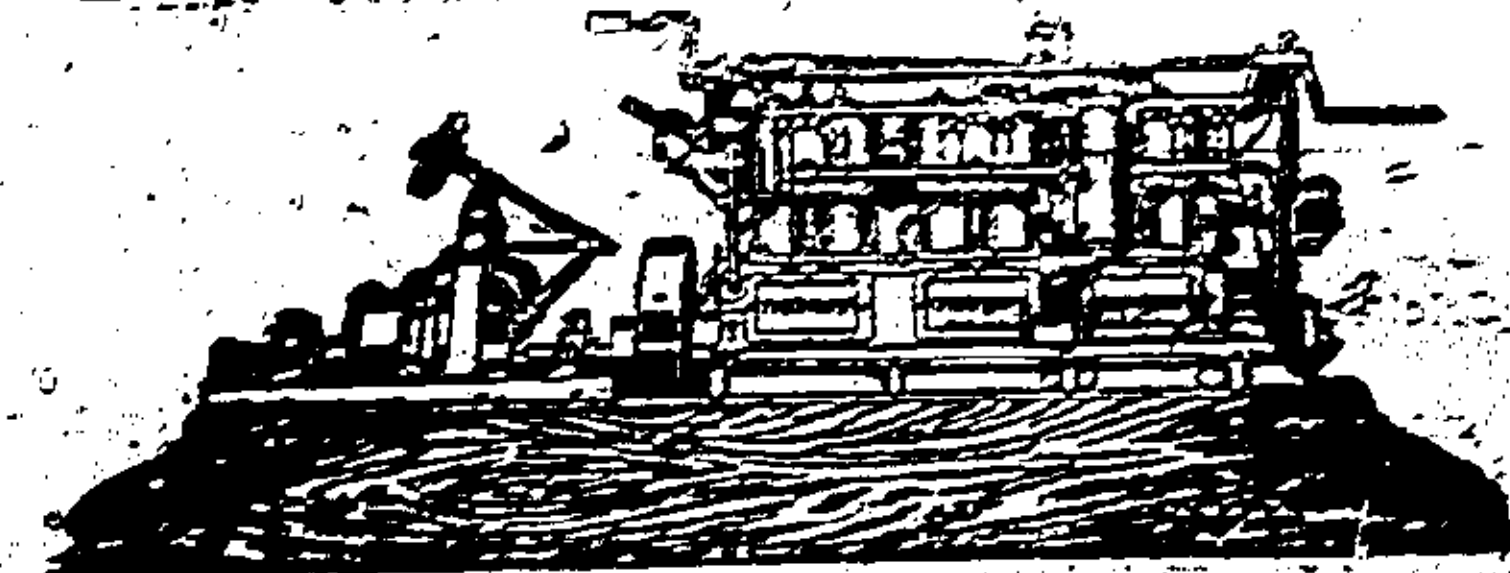
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London via Port	Namur	P. & O.	24. Feb.
London & Cape Town via Port	Hsachi M.	N.Y.K.	24. Feb.
London	Glenstrae	S. P. & Co.	Mar.
London	Protestant	R. & S.	6. Mar.
London & Cape Town via Port	Iyo M.	N.Y.K.	9. Mar.
London via Port	Nore	P. & O.	29. Mar.

NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO AND CANADA.

Vancouver	Monteale	C. P. R.	15. Feb.
Victoria, B.C. & Seattle	K'ura M.	N.Y.K.	22. Feb.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan etc.	Nippon M.	T. K. K.	23. Feb.
New York via Cape	Egmont C.	D. & Co.	2. Feb.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan etc.	Dairen M.	N.Y.K.	3. Mar.
Victoria, B.C. & Seattle	Tamba M.	N.Y.K.	7. Mar.
Seattle	Titan	B. & S.	9. Mar.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan etc.	Anyo M.	T. K. K.	10. Mar.
San Francisco	Karimoon	J.C.J. L.	13. Mar.
San Francisco	Shinyo M.	T. K. K.	14. Mar.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan etc.	E. of Russia	C. P. R.	23. Mar.
Vancouver	Ilion	B. & S.	23. Mar.
Seattle	Indrasamha	S. P. & Co.	23. Mar.
New York	E. of Japan	C. P. R.	5. Apr.
Vancouver	Chiyo M.	T. K. K.	8. Apr.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan etc.	Typhoon	J.C.J. L.	11. Apr.
San Francisco	China	C. M. S. S.	14. Apr.
San Francisco	E. of Asia	C. P. R.	20. Apr.
Vancouver	Persia M.	T. K. K.	21. Apr.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan etc.	Arakan	J.C.J. L.	12. May.

AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports via Manila	Taiwan	B. & S.	23. Feb.
Sydney & Melbourne via Manila	Tango M.	N.Y.K.	14. Mar.
Australian Ports via Port Darwin	St. Albans	G. L. Co.	15. Mar.
Australian Ports via Port Darwin	Empire	G. L. Co.	8. Apr.
Sydney & Melbourne via Manila	Nikko M.	N.Y.K.	14. Apr.
Australian via Manila	Eastern	G. L. Co.	23. Apr.

SINGAPORE, COAST PORTS AND JAPAN.

Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Kara M.	N.Y.K.	15. Feb.
Batavia, Sourabaya etc.	Borneo M.	D. & Co.	15. Feb.
Shanghai and Japan	Demodocus	B. & S.	15. Feb.
Calcutta etc.	Jinsen M.	N.Y.K.	15. Feb.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haiching	D. L. Co.	15. Feb.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Huichow	B. & S.	15. Feb.
Shanghai	Yingchow	B. & S.	15. Feb.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Taming	B. & S.	15. Feb.
Haiiphong	Sunkiang	B. & S.	16. Feb.
Tientsin and Weihaiwei	Chipehing	J. M. Co.	17. Feb.
Shanghai	Shantung	B. & S.	17. Feb.
Shanghai	Wosang	J. M. Co.	17. Feb.
Shanghai	Hopsang	J. M. Co.	18. Feb.
Calcutta and Ports	Japer	D. S. & Co.	18. Feb.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hachang	B. & S.	18. Feb.
Shanghai and Japan	Maehsan	B. & S.	18. Feb.
Hoihow and Haiphong	Loksang	J. M. Co.	19. Feb.
Manila	Yuenhang	J. M. Co.	19. Feb.
Shanghai & Ports to Yokohama	Nankin	P. & O.	20. Feb.
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Kobe and Moji	Kunssang	J. M. Co.	20. Feb.
Singapore	Fultala	D. S. & Co.	21. Feb.
Belawan, Deli (Medan) via Stow	S. Jacob	J.C.J. L.	22. Feb.
Shanghai and Japan	Teiresias	B. & S.	22. Feb.
Manila	Titan	B. & S.	22. Feb.
Shanghai & Ports to Yokohama	Nore	P. & O.	22. Feb.
Haiiphong	Taklang	J. M. Co.	22. Feb.
Moji, Kobe & Yokohama	Kiojun M.	D. & Co.	23. Feb.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Miyazaki M.	N.Y.K.	24. Feb.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Penang M.	N.Y.K.	24. Feb.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Ceylan M.	N.Y.K.	25. Feb.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Kitano M.	N.Y.K.	25. Feb.
Shanghai	Wingsang	J. M. Co.	25. Feb.
Singapore (eventually Penang)	Spilbergen	J.C.J. L.	26. Feb.
Kobe	Typhoon	J.C.J. L.	26. Feb.
Shanghai & Ports to Yokohama	Novara	P. & O.	26. Feb.
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. Co.	26. Feb.
Shanghai	Typhoon	J.C.J. L.	26. Feb.
Bombay etc.	Ranzoom M.	N.Y.K.	26. Feb.
Calcutta etc.	Tosa M.	N.Y.K.	4. Mar.
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Nikko M.	N.Y.K.	9. Mar.
Shanghai & Ports to Yokohama	Malta	P. & O.	11. Mar.
Manila	Ilion	B. & S.	13. Mar.

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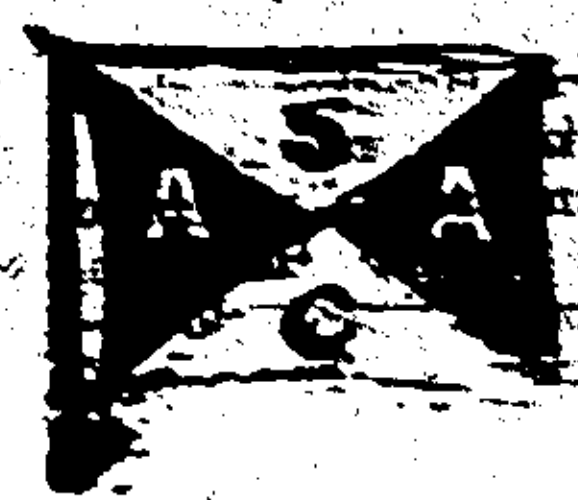
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tended hour of departure, giving
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height and occupation of the
applicant, and stating the name
of the steamer or other vessel or
the hour of the train by which
the applicant wishes to leave.
Applicants should apply in person
for their passes at the Central
Police Station between the hours
of 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to
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Hongkong 9th July, 1915.

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FLOOD PICTURES

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Hongkong, 18th July, 1913.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

BOXING.

Subject to sufficient entries
being received, an Amateur Box-
ing Competition open to Hong-
kong will be held in the Gymna-
sium of the V.R.C. on Friday,
February 25th.

Conditions: (a) 3 two-minute
rounds. If undecided an
extra round of one
minute.
(b) In 3 weights: 118 lbs.,
132 lbs. and 146 lbs.
(c) Competitors weigh in
at V.R.C. on night of
February 24th.

Entries Stating weight to be
addressed to J. De Silva Esq. c/o
V.R.C. before February 15th. No
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entries.
The Committee reserve the
right to refuse entries.

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The above named Steamer hav-
ing arrived, Consignees of cargo
are hereby notified to send in
their Bills of Lading for counter-
signature, and to take immediate
delivery of Cargo from alongside.
Cargo remaining undelivered
on 10th February at 5 p.m., will be
landed at Consignees' risk and
expense, and delivery must then
be taken from the Company's God-
down. Storage charges will be as-
sessed on all goods remaining un-
delivered on 16th February at
noon.

No Fire Insurance whatever
will be effected.
No Claim will be recognised
after the Goods have left the
Steamer or Godown.

All shifed and damaged cargo
will be landed into the Godown,
where they will be examined on
16th February at 10 a.m.

No Claim will be recognised
if filed after the 23rd February,
1916.

K. DOI,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1916.

VESSELS DUE.

Agents	Vessel's Name	Tonnage	Date Due	From
D. S. & Co.	Fultala		Feb. 16	Calcutta
B. & S.	Demodocus	6,639	Feb. 17	Singapore
B. & S.	Titan	8,979	Feb. 18	Kul'ma via Kobe
B. & S.	Alecinous	6,743	Feb. 18	Singapore
T. K. K.	Nippon Maru	11,000	Feb. 19	San Francisco
B. & S.	Maehsan	6,737	Feb. 19	Liverpool
P. & O.	Nankin	6,833	Feb. 19	London
G. L. & Co.	St. Albans		Feb. 20	Australia
B. & S.	Taiwan		Feb. 20	Australia
B. & S.	Glenstrae	3,054	Feb. 20	London
B. & S.	Ping Suey	6,453	Feb. 20	Yokohama
B. & S.	Teiresias	7,503	Feb. 21	Liverpool
B. & S.	Knight Companion		Feb. 21	Yokohama
J.C.J. L.	Typhoon		Feb. 22	Yokohama
J.C.J. L.	Typhoon		Feb. 22	Yokohama
N.Y.K.	Hitachi Maru		Feb. 23	Yokohama
N.Y.K.	Penang Maru	8,000	Feb. 23	Singapore
P. & O.	Namur	6,701	Feb. 24	Yokohama
N.Y.K.	Ceylon Maru	12,500	Feb. 24	Calcutta
N.Y.K.	Kitano Maru	16,000	Feb. 24	London
P. & O.	Novara	6,850	Feb. 26	Kobe
N.Y.K.	Rangoon Maru	8,000	Feb. 26	Kobe
N.Y.K.	Tamba Maru	12,500	Feb. 27	Seattle
T. K. K.	Anyo Maru	18,500	Mar. 1	Seattle
B. & S.	Titan	8,979	Mar. 1	Manila
N.Y.K.	Tosa Maru	12,000	Mar. 2	Yokohama
P. & O.			Mar. 4	London
N.Y.K.	Yokohama Maru		Mar. 6	San Francisco
T. K. K.	Shinyo Maru		Mar. 6	San Francisco
B. & S.	Protestant	9,547	Mar. 6	Bombay
N.Y.K.	Bombay Maru		Mar. 8	Bombay
J.C.J. L.	Berten Maru		Mar. 9	Calcutta
B. & S.	Karimoon		Mar. 9	Java
P. & O.	Ilion	10,231	Mar. 9	Seattle
P. & O.	Nankin	6,853	Mar. 10	Yokohama
P. & O.	Malta	6,064	Mar. 11	London
N.Y.K.	Tango Maru	13,500	Mar. 13	Australia
P. & O.	Nore	6,703	Mar. 14	Yokohama
G. L. & Co.	Empire		Mar. 16	Australia
T. K. K.	Persia Maru		Mar. 21	San Francisco
B. & S.	Ilion	10,231	Mar. 21	Manila
P. & O.	Sardinia	6,780	Mar. 24	London
P. & O.	Novara	6,850	Mar. 24	Yokohama
G. L. & Co.	Eastern		Apr. 6	Australia
J.C.J. L.	Typhoon		Apr. 7	Java
N.Y.K.	Nikko Maru	9,600	Apr. 13	Australia
J.C.J. L.	Arakan		May 8	Java

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The C. P. R. s.s. EMPRESS OF JAPAN
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ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. Outward Mail Steamer
MALWA with the London Mail of the
2nd January last, left Suez on Sunday
evening the 6th instant.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

Yuenhang

COMMERCIAL.

Industrial Expansion in Holland.

Owing to large war profits there has been an abundance of investment money in Holland, resulting in a remarkable industrial expansion. Dutch government has decided to work the oil fields of Sumatra which have not been leased to the Royal Dutch interests as reported. The 5% bond issue of one of the Royal Dutch subsidiaries already selling at 2% premium. Companies which formerly did financing in London are taking advantage of the favorable Dutch money market.

Copper in U.S.

Twenty-three cents a pound is the newly established price level of the large producers for copper metal, says a recent American paper. With the first quarter of the year practically stripped bare, and with consumers still clamoring for prompt deliveries, the trend of prices is distinctly upward. Late last week March delivery brought between 22 1/2 and 23 cents. One of the leading producers scraped together some 2,680 tons for February, which was promptly sold to Connecticut Valley consumers at more than 23 cents, 30 days. The French government is inquiring in this market for some 2,000 tons of spot copper, with no prospect of getting it. Sellers have nothing to offer for January, even if freight room to Havre were available for this month. France has not as yet adopted the centralized system of buying, which, in England, resulted in the placing of the recent order for 60,000 tons. The French government, however, has been a heavy buyer of copper over recent months, and exports to that country have been larger for many weeks than to any other European country. As the munition factories of France, England, Russia and Italy grow better able to turn out a huge supply of ammunition, the demand for American copper continues to increase. Raw materials, such as copper and steel, are now becoming as important to the Allies as the finished shells which are being shipped from this country. Another jump of 22 carried London electrolytic up to 21.10. Spot copper in London was up 12a. 6d. and futures up 10a.

Kobe Banks.

The Japan Chronicle, of January 28 reports summaries of the financial statements for three Kobe banks, as follows:—Sumitomo Bank Ltd.—With a paid-up capital of ¥7,500,000, the Sumitomo Bank closed the last half-year with deposits amounting to over ¥88,000,000, and among its assets were Government and municipal bonds and debentures for over ¥14,000,000. The net profit for the half-year was ¥182,791, of which ¥150,000 was paid in dividend, at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, ¥50,000 was added to the reserve fund, which now stands at ¥1,150,000, the balance carried forward (¥303,692) being slightly smaller than at the last half-year. Mitsu Bishi Bank.—Of the Mitsu Bishi Company's total capital of ¥15,000,000, the proportion allotted to the Banking Department is ¥1,000,000. The last half-year closed with deposits amounting to ¥65,000,000, and the Bank held ¥6,400,000 in Government and other bonds. Net profits amounted to ¥321,175, of which ¥50,000 was turned over to the Company's general account, as profit for the half-year, the rest being added to the large accumulation forming the Bank's working capital. Mitsu Bank Ltd.—The Mitsu Bank, with a capital of ¥20,000,000 and deposits amounting to nearly ¥115,000,000, made a net profit for the past half-year of ¥738,105. Of this sum ¥400,800 was paid as dividend, being the equivalent of 4 per cent. per annum on capital. ¥22,000,000 is held in Government and other bonds. ¥250,000 was added to the Reserve, which now stands at ¥1,800,000, and the reserve added to the reserve carried forward.

SHARE REPORT.

COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

To-day's Closing Prices	STOCK	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid Up	1914		1915		Last Dividend and Date
					Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	
					14th May	14th May	14th May	14th May	
					to now	to now	to now	to now	
	Banks.								
\$320	H.K. & Shanghai Banking Corp.	120,000	\$125	all	855	July	700	Oct. 845	div. 790 c. div. {22 1/2/- at 1/9 5/16 equal to \$24.21 for 1/4 year 30/6/15
\$73 1/10	Marine Insurance.	10,000	\$350	59	350	Dec.	305	Oct. 425	360 {Final of \$4 a/c 1913. Interim of \$18 a/c 1914.
415	Canton Ins. Office, Ltd.	10,000	\$15	25	145	May	133	Jan. 189	160 {Final of 12 1/2 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1914
418 1/4	North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	12,400	\$250	100	847 1/2	April	700	Oct. 972	\$355 {Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1913 and Interim of \$30 for 1914
\$337 1/2	Union Ins. S'ty of C'lon, Ltd.	42,000	\$100	60	210	April	192 1/4	Jan. 270	225 {Final of \$15 m.m.f. \$18 for 1913 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
\$350	Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	20,000	\$100	20	160	July	140	Oct. 162	130 \$9 for 1913
\$156	China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	3,000	\$250	50	385	Feb.	368	April 420	385 \$27 for 1913
\$410	H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.								
	Shipping.								
\$127 1/2	Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	all	36	Mar.	27 1/2	Nov. 126	45 \$4 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15
20 1/2	H'kong C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/4	Jan.	22	Dec. 23	19 {Final of 40 cts. making 90 cts. for year ending 31.12.14
\$185 1/4	Indo-China (Combined)	60,000	\$25	all	79	Jan.	50	Sept. 188	96 {6 p.c. on p. a. & 3 p.c. on d. a. for year 1914. a/c quoted ex 9 p.c. div. in H.K. from 22.9.15. an interim div. of 6 p.c. on the combined a/c paid in London 22.9.15 quoted ex div. in H.K. 11.12.15
\$133 1/2	Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	796,666	\$1	all	56 1/2	Feb.	70 1/2	Sept. 90 1/2	82 1/2 {Interim of 2 1/2 (Coupon No. 25) making 7 1/2 for 1915
\$50	Shell T'port & T'ing Co., Ltd.	40,000	\$10	all	49	Mar.	40	Nov. 39	32 {15.50 per share and bonus of 40 cents per share for year ending 30.4.15
\$58 1/2	Star Ferry Company, Ltd.								
\$133 1/4	China S. Refining Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$100	all	96 1/2	Feb.	70	Nov. 134	111 \$3 for 1913
\$57	Luxon S. Refining Co., Ltd.	7,000	\$100	all	31	Jan.	17	Dec. 46	27 1/2 \$3 for 1897
	Mining.								
30 1/2	Kailan Mining Admin'n	1,000,000	\$1	all	41 1/2	Feb.	33 1/2	Dec. 33 1/2	30 1/2 {Interim of 1 1/2 account year ending 30.6.15 (Coupon No. 5)
3.30	Ranch Australian Gold Min'g Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	all	3.10	Jan.	1.90	Nov. 4	8 1/2 1 1/2 for 1905
27 1/2	T'ronch Mines Ltd.	160,000	\$1	all	39 1/2	Feb.	19 1/2	Nov. 32 1/2	25 1/2 b. 1 1/2 interim a/c 1915 paid 12.7.15
35 1/2	Ural Caspians	796,666	\$1	all	56 1/2	Feb.	21 1/2	Nov. 41	37 1/2 1 1/2 interim 1915
	Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.								
\$75	H'kong & K.W. & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	89	Jan.	73	Nov. 81 1/2	68 \$3.50 for year 1914
s. ex. old \$95	H.K. & W.D. Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	77	Jan.	53	Oct. 88 1/2	57 \$3 dividend for year 1914
65	Shai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	55,700	\$100	all	60	July	50	Dec. 63 1/2	49 ex div. Tls. 3 for year ending 30.4.15
90	Shai & H'kew W. Co., Ltd.	36,000	\$100	all	109	Jan.	82 1/2	Dec. 93 1/2	80 Tls. 5 for 1914
	Lands, Hotels and Buildings.								
t. 94	Anglo French Lands	43,000	\$100	t. 100	128	July	120	Dec. 116	108 Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 29.2.14
h. ex. div. \$112 1/2	H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	50	128	July	120	Dec. 116	108 {22.50 for half year ending 31.12.15
\$102	H'kong Land Investment Co.	50,000	\$100	all	117 1/2	July	98	Nov. 111 1/2	108 \$3 1/2 for year ending 31.12.15
ex. div. \$6	Elphreys Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	94 1/2	Jan.	77	Nov. 7 1/2	6.10 35 cents for year 1915
\$40	K'loon Land & B'ing Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	30	45 1/2	Jan.	44	Feb. 40	40 \$3 for 1914
\$107	Shanghai Lands	78,000	\$50	all	98	Dec.	89	Oct. 106	101 {Dividend of 6 p.c. for 1 year ending 30.6.15
\$87	West Point Building Co., Ltd.	12,000	\$30	all	73	June	66	Feb. 86	70 \$2.25 for half year ending 31.12.15
\$96	H'kong Central Estate	10,000	\$100	all	103	Feb.	77	Nov. 103	100 \$7.00 for year ending 31.12.15
	Cotton Mills.								
\$140	Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	all	128	July	125	May 180	135 Tls. 16 for year ending 31.10.15
\$13	Kung Yik	75,000	\$10	all	142	Jan.	11	Mar. 17	13 1/2 Tls. 150 for year ending 30.11.15
71	Laon Kung Mow	3,000	\$100	all	110	Feb.	70	May 89	80 Tls. 12 for 1913
1.90	Shanghai Cottons	40,000	\$50	all	135	Feb.	70	Nov. 105	90 {Dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15
	Miscellaneous.								
1.6	Yangtze Poots	175,000	\$5	all	—	—	—	—	6 1/2 5 1/2
\$10 1/4	China Borneo Company, Ltd.	60,000	\$72	all	12	May	10	Dec. 10	10 85 cents for 1914
\$46.00	China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$1	all	4.90	July	4	April 4 1/4	4 1/4 6% for year ending 28.2.06
10	Do. (Spec. shares)	50,000	\$1	all	9	Jan.	7	Nov. 10.10	8.00 70 cts. for 1914
\$29	China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	all	39	June	35	Aug. 34	31 \$1.25 for year ending 31.7.15
\$10	Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.	40,000	\$7 1/2	all	6.90	Jan.	5	Dec. 11	6.70 50 cts. for 1914
\$48 1/2	Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	400,000	\$10	all	49	Jan.	38	Nov. 45	39 \$2.00 per share for 1914
\$180	Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$40	all	217 1/2	July	174	Dec. 190	184 Interim of \$2 account 1915
\$32	Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$25	all	25	June	22	Apr. 43 1/2	25 Interim \$1 for year ending 30.6.15
\$620	Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$10	all	13 1/2	July	7 1/2	Feb. 6 1/2	4.80 10% for 1914
\$37 1/2	Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	325,000	\$5 1/2	all	64 1/2	Mar.	28	Dec. 42	36 1/2 {Interim of Tls. 1 making Tls. 2 a/c 1913
\$10	Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)	25,000	\$10	all	10 1/2	Jan.	9 1/2	June 10	9 70 cts. on fully paid shares and 7 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.15
\$5	Do (New)	50,000	\$10	all	9 1/2	Jan.	75	Dec. 51	80 cts.
\$4	Philippines Ld.	75,000	\$10	all	—	—	—	—	4 None
\$5	H. Price & Co., Ltd.	12,000	\$10	all	—	—	—	—	5 \$1.50 for 1910
\$20	Societe des Pulpes et Papieries du Tonkin	18,200	\$50	all	—	—	—	—	20 None
\$34 1/2	Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$5	all	500	June	4	Nov. 3 1/2	3.00 25 cts. for year ending 31.5.15
h. ex. div. \$15 1/2	Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.	27,723	\$18	all	22 1/4	Feb.	17	Jan. 18	16 {22.00, per share for year ending 31.12.14
\$6 1/2	Watson and Co., Ltd.	90,000	\$10	all	8 1/2	April	6.90	Dec. 6.90	div. 60 cts. for 1914
\$5 1/2	William Powell, Limited	71,000	\$7	all	9 1/2	Jan.	6 1/2	Dec. 7 1/2	5 1/2 {50 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new year shares for year ending 30.6.14
\$29	S. C. Morning Post	6,000	\$25	all	30	June	22	Dec. 29	29 \$1.50 for 1914

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30 d/s.....1/11 3/16		Demand Bombay.....144	
60 d/s.....1/11 7/16		T/T Calcutta.....	
4 m/s.....1/11 1/2		Demand Calcutta.....144	
T/T Shanghai.....73 1/4	4 m/s L/C.....1/11 15/16	Demand Manila.....92 1/2	
T/T Singapore.....82 1/4	4 m/s D/P.....2 1/16		
T/T Japan.....91 1/2	6 m/s L/C.....2 3/16		
T/T India.....143 3/4	30 d/s B'ny & M. 2 3/16		
Demand India.....144	30 d/s San P'co & N.Y. 47 1/2		
T/T San P'co & N.Y. 46	4 m/s Marks.....Nom.		
T/T Java.....109 1/2	4 m/s France.....2.81		
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ESTABLISHED 1884.

The Undersigned AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
AGENTS.

NOMURA BROS.
HAIR DRESSING SALOON.
16 Queen's Road, Central.
Opposite the Hongkong Hotel Building.
Electric Face Massage
A Speciality.

YAMCHOW POTTERY.

Before the beginning of the pottery period ("Sing") China produced a kind of earthenware of which that from Yamchow was the most celebrated. From this was developed the porcelain which the first Dutch sailing ships took home from Canton and which led to the manufacture of Delft ware in Europe.

Yamchow ware has remained all these centuries the same as when it was first produced, the same families making it, and using the same primitive means of manufacture. It is justly held in high esteem by Chinese connoisseurs on account of its artistic values and the dainty drawings with which it is decorated. A collection is now on view at Messrs. Komor and Komor's Art School, where specimens can be obtained at prices which will appear ridiculously cheap compared with other pottery of equal excellence.

SWEDEN AND WOOD PULP.

Now that most countries are organizing their forces in order to enlarge their export trade when the war is over, it is natural that the Chambers of Commerce should play a large part in the endeavor, and many have been the publications issued setting forth the particular merits of the various countries' products. We have just received an excellently produced little journal published by the Swedish Chamber of Commerce in London dealing almost exclusively with the production of wood pulp. The importance of this trade to Sweden is well known, and in the booklet to hand the subject is fully reviewed and the country's vast resources and producing capacity emphasized. Several excellent illustrations add interest to the number. The issue of this production should do much to bring home to consumers of paper their indebtedness to Sweden for her pioneer work in paper-making from wood pulp.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

GEO. P. LAMMERT.

AUCTIONEER, SHARE & GENERAL BROKER.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Liquidators of Messrs. F. Blackhead & Co. to sell by Public Auction on

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY the 16th, 17th, 18th & 19th February 1916

commencing each day at 11 a.m.

(and subsequent dates which will be notified later)

at Messrs. F. Blackhead & Co's. Store, Ice House Road.

A Large Quantity of Ship-chandler's Stores, etc., etc.

comprising—

Brass check, angle and globe valves, brass elbows, tees, nipples, coupling and unions, brass and iron screws and split pins, iron and wooden blocks, engineers' and carpenters' tools, assorted files and twist drills, engine packing, iron ware for ship use, canvas, rubber and armoured hose, belting, paint, varnish and enamel, rubber sheeting and insertions, cooking stoves and utensils.

etc., etc., etc.

Also

Detachable motor, 2; H.P. and

1 American Safe.

On view from Monday, the 14th February 1916.

Catalogue will be issued.

Terms: Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

NOTICES

North British & Mercantile Insurance Company,
in which are vested the shares of THE OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE CO. LTD.

THE RAILWAY PASSENGERS ASSURANCE COMPANY.

DECEMBER 1914

1—Authorized Capital—50,000,000

Subscribed Capital—4,500,000

Paid-up Capital—£ 2,437,500

II—Fire Funds—3,977,047

III—Life and Annuity Funds—17,677,590

Sinking Fund Account—128,239

233,970,267

Revenue Fire Branch—2,381,556

Life and Annuity—2,141,593

Marine Department—37,228

Other Receipts—478,540

25,339,258

The Accumulative Funds of the various Branches are separately invested and by Act of Parliament are set aside to meet the claims under the respective Departments of the Company's business.

NOTICE

I have this day commenced business as Merchant and Commission Agent under the firm name of FRANK SMITH & CO., at No. 6 Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.

F. H. SMITH.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1916.

POST OFFICE

Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Siam, Persia and Mesopotamia cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Ships in communication with Cape D'Agulhas Radio Telegraph Station—

Salamis, Puffin, Glenlogan, Mongara, China

MAILS DUE.

Shanghai, Cheonan, 16th Feb.

Shanghai, Andre Lebon, 16th Feb.

Australia, Calcutta, 19th Feb.

Australia, St. Albans, 20th Feb.

MAILED CLOSE TO-MORROW.

Swatow, Amoy, Formosa via Takao and Amoy—Per SCHEU MARE, 16th Feb. 9 a.m.

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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED.

Singapore, Br. ss. 387, J. Robinson, 14th Feb.—Hainan & Fokoh, 12th Feb. Gen.—R. & S.

Ali Maru, Jan. ss. 3,385, Yodakawa, 14th Feb.—Japan, 9th Feb. Gen.—N.Y.K.

Lok Sam, Br. ss. 372, D. W. Ritchie, 14th Feb.—Hainan & Fokoh, 12th Feb. Gen.—J.M. & Co.

Japan, Br. ss. 3,466, C. P. Seddon, 14th Feb.—Kobe, Gen.—D.S. & Co.

Kwangtung, Br. ss. 1,433, F. P. Richard, 14th Feb.—Swatow, 14th Feb. Gen.—J.M. & Co.

Taiyang, Br. ss. 1,550, G. F. Mathews, 14th Feb.—Marila, 12th Feb. Gen.—J.M. & Co.

DEPARTED.

Feb. 14.

Kara Maru for Kobe via Shanghai, China for San Francisco via Shanghai, Tientsin for San Francisco via Nagasaki, Japan Maru for Calcutta via Singapore, Singapore for Canton, Singapore for Cape Town via Singapore, Singapore for London, Singapore for Hongkong, Singapore for Canton, Singapore for Batavia & Sourabaya, Singapore for Shanghai & Swatow, Singapore for Gwara & Singapore, Singapore for Saigon.

CH. PARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Feb. 15.

Hiroshima Maru for Takao, Shanghai for Canton.

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SALES OF BRITISH STEAMERS.

Attempts to Evade Taxation.

In view of the new excess profit taxation, says the Times, it seems important that transfers of shipping which apparently are being made between British subjects should in future be examined minutely. There is, unfortunately, reason for believing that within the past few months transfers have been made by which the control, and, it was intended, the large profits of British ships would pass into foreign hands. Sales involving the transfer of a steamer from the British to a foreign flag are now not permitted.

The method adopted appears to be as follows:—A, who is the subject of a neutral country, puts B, a British subject, in a position to buy a steamer from C, a British owner, at an enormous price. The transfer between the two British subj. cts having been duly completed, A, who is resident abroad, charters the steamer from B at such a rate as will not exceed the return of 6 per cent. allowed on new capital under the present Finance Act. A is then able to earn far higher profits on the vessel than the chartering charge paid to B, and, being a neutral subject, he calculates on escaping entirely the taxation of 50 per cent. of the excess profits. Such a scheme as this deserves to be dealt with sharply because it means not only that though the British registry of the vessel remains unchanged the control really passes into foreign hands, but also because it helps materially to keep the price of tonnage consequently dangerous level, and on present to inflate freights further. A neutral owner who has no heavy taxation to meet obviously can afford to pay higher prices than the British owner. He will be recouped for his outlay much sooner. The scheme also nullifies the argument, which is at best a dangerous and deceptive one, that the rise in freights may be regarded completely because 50 per cent. of the excess profits of British owners are taken by the State.

An effective way of checking these attempts to avoid taxation on British registered vessels would be for the Government, whenever it learns that such a transaction has been carried out, immediately to requisition the vessel at the "Blue-book rates." As these terms are far below what can be obtained in the open market the purchase of the vessel at current prices would probably prove most unprofitable, and the knowledge of the unfortunate financial ending to the transaction would deter other owners from attempting to carry out a similar scheme. The higher the price an owner pays for a vessel, the higher the freight that he must earn to recoup himself. As the rise in freights is primarily caused by the continual withdrawal of vessels for Government service and the present policy of allowing owners and merchants to scramble as best they may for the remaining tonnage, there is nothing to prevent freights rising far higher yet. But though so long as the present methods are followed a rise is inevitable, undesirable schemes which have the effect of forcing up freights should at least be eliminated.

WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on the 1st Feb. 1916.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

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ENTERTAINMENTS.

VICTORIA THEATRE.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15th.

"AS YOU LIKE IT."

also
"THE NEW DAWN"
OCEANOGRAPHY.
"DELAYED PROPOSAL."
"WIFFLES AND THE HEIRESS."
"WILLIE'S RIOT. (KEYSTONE).

WEDNESDAY 16th, MATINEE "OTHELLO."

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18th.

Tom Melbourne's Comedy Coy. and great attractions for Race Week.

BIJOU THEATRE.

TO-NIGHT'S

Powerful Coloured and Exclusive Feature—

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NOTICE

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 19th day of February, 1916, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ending the 31st December, 1915.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from MONDAY, the 7th February, to SATURDAY, the 19th February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

N. J. STARR,
Chief Manager

Hongkong, 31st January 1916.